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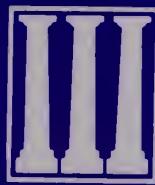
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Homecoming... October 9



Elise James

Dear Northwestern Alumni:

As I stand in the beautifully landscaped triangle and read the plaque that was installed on the event of the Centennial Celebration of Northwestern in 1984 so much history floods through my mind.

This Homecoming will commemorate 109 Years of Excellence in Education received by young people from Northwestern. These graduates have gone forth and established themselves as doctors, lawyers, teachers, business people, musicians and homemakers. They have distinguished themselves in many areas and brought honor to Northwestern through their example. The university is forever grateful for the support that alumni have given back to their alma mater over the years.

Because you are so special to us, we invite you back to the campus for Homecoming 1993. Please read the section giving you information on events for this year. Homecoming is scheduled for Oct. 9. One of the changes we hope you will like is a large reception for all alumni in the Sylvan Friedman Student Union Lobby from 10 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. This way you can "mix and mingle" with all ages of Northwestern folks.

The fall semester is in full swing with a number of special events taking place and students participating in many activities. The students would like to see you return to campus. You will enjoy seeing them doing many of the same things you did when you were here years ago.

When you're strolling around the campus, take the time to stop a student and talk to them about your days at this wonderful school. Ask them about their dreams and aspirations and tell them what your education has done for you.

Please "come home" and we look forward to seeing you on Oct. 9.

Sincerely,

Elise P. James
Director of Development
and Alumni Affairs

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"Coming Home," is the title of the photographic montage appearing on the cover of this issue of your *Alumni Columns*.

The old black and white pictures represent the student body from the Normal, College and University years.

The columns are pictured in the montage to represent the continuity of student life on the Northwestern campus for the past 109 years.

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Office of the President

Dear Alumni:

These are some of the best and also some of the most difficult times in the long history of your Alma Mater. I sincerely hope that you will become more involved in sharing and enjoying the university's significant accomplishments and in attempting to solve some of the perplexing problems facing Northwestern.

Through the enhancement of academic programs and aggressive, innovative marketing and recruitment campaigns, Northwestern has experienced a remarkable increase in enrollment over the past seven years.

The student population has grown by more than 60 percent since 1986, and the academic quality of students being attracted to the university has improved dramatically. By providing scholarships and other incentives to academically gifted and artistically talented students, the university has recorded a five point increase in the average ACT score of incoming freshmen during that seven-year period.

Most of this was achieved, frankly, by reallocating funds that were available to the university. We reduced staffing and other operating costs in order to channel more money into academic enrichment projects, scholarships, recruiting and other areas that would help assure a stable enrollment and upgrade the academic quality of the student population.

That approach has obviously been beneficial, because the campus is pulsating with activity and excitement. Few universities in the nation have enjoyed the kind of enrollment growth and academic advancements that Northwestern has experienced in recent years.

But funding to continue attracting outstanding students and superior faculty members is diminishing. State appropriations to Northwestern were reduced again this year for the 12th time in the past decade. The revenue crisis at the state level continues to have a negative impact on higher education, including NSU.

Northwestern—like other schools in Louisiana—is funded at just a little more than half of the average state funding for the Southern region. That means NSU would receive an additional \$15 million a year if Louisiana funded higher education at just the average of what other states in the South receive in state appropriations.

Schools which excel in Louisiana and in other parts of the nation are those which subsidize state funding with substantial contributions from alumni and other friends. Most alumni donations are used for scholarships to attract students and the general promotion of the university.

Louisiana offers matching funding to universities which receive \$60,000 in private funds for professorships or \$600,000 for endowed chairs. Northwestern needs this kind of alumni financial support to continue its higher education leadership in Louisiana and the nation.

Please consider supporting your Alma Mater with a contribution in any amount to the NSU Foundation, and I hope you will make plans to attend Homecoming this fall.

Sincerely,

Robert Alost, President





“The software can explain itself to kids. You don't have to teach them how to use it.”

Educational Technology Center Enhances Classroom Performance

What sound does a giraffe make? If you are not sure, just go to North western State University's Educational Technology Center and you can hear one for yourself. The Center is gearing up for the 21st century by introducing new computer technology into the classroom. The new software being used allows teachers to develop exciting educational programs for young students to use in the classroom. It seems they have discovered the key to making learning fun.

In addition to new technology, the Department of Education was awarded two grants this spring by the Louisiana Education Quality Support Fund (LEQSF) under the 8g program. The first grant is for \$36,000 for a one-year period. The grant will support three \$12,000 graduate assistantships in the new Master's in Education with an emphasis in Educational Technology degree program at NSU.

"The idea is for educators to come from their schools to pursue the Master's in Educational Technology and then return to their own school system to enhance technology use within their own system," said Bob Gillan, coordinator of Northwestern's Educational Technology Center. Gillan has been at NSU since 1981.

The second grant, for \$52,000 over a two-year period, will support the efforts of a special NSU Educational Technology Center project called "Where in Louisiana."

New educational computer equipment in the Educational Technology center includes a Tandy multimedia station to be used by teachers and students involved in NSU's teacher education program. "We are trying to introduce education majors to technology and hope they will be comfortable with technology in the classroom," said Gillan.

The new multimedia center has a built-in CD-ROM which holds about 1,000 times as much information as a regular computer disk. Information is stored on a compact disk just like the audio disks you pop in your stereo's CD player, but these disks have audiovisual capability and can be programmed to the user's needs.

The new technology also has the capability to project the image on the computer terminal screen onto a wall or large screen for an entire classroom of students to view. Photos can be taken with a Canon "Zap Shot" camera, which takes photos for still video, or regular photos and text can be scanned into the computer to create the visual aspect of a computer learning program. With additional equipment, full motion video can also be added to a program.

The grant-funded "Where in Louisiana" project being developed at the Center is an example of what can be accomplished by combining kids, computers, and classrooms. The result is an exciting learning tool for

teachers to use in educating and motivating their students.

"Where in Louisiana" is being developed using the multimedia center and CD-ROM to create a learning program for middle schoolers in Louisiana Studies classes. Information will be gathered from teachers and middle school students statewide concerning every parish in the state. Information from each parish will include segments on parish history, sights and events, demographics, and towns in the parish.

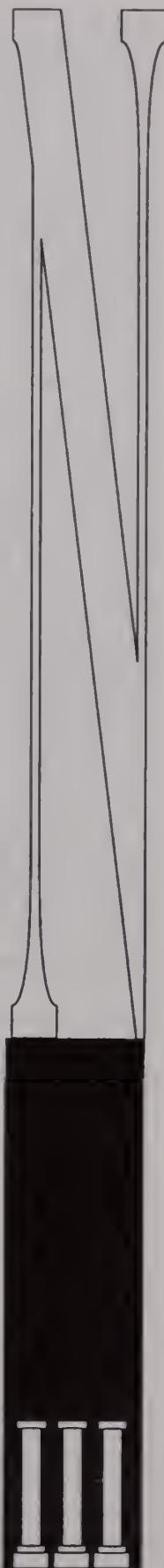
What makes "Where in Louisiana" special is that it is researched and designed by school children across the state of Louisiana with guidance from their teachers. Gillan believes that kids who live in a particular parish are likely to be the best authorities on it.

"The kids that are closest to that parish will be telling us what's important about their parish. They in turn will be sharing that, so when students are studying Louisiana Studies in the future, they will be taught by kids from throughout the state," Gillan said. "The kids are excited because they're using technology, but they're also learning a lot."

During the first year of the grant-funded project, information from all parishes will be compiled into a disk collection using Linkway, an easy-to-use computer authoring program. The second phase of the project during the second year will involve combining information from the disk collection onto one CD-ROM disk. Each school that participated in the project, their school districts, and every college of education in Louisiana will receive copies.

"We'll be adding some other instructional activities that the teachers can use with their students," said Gillan. "The final CD-ROM version will not only have the kid's information but will also have sound and motion graphics and video. And we'll provide that free of charge to every parish in the state."

In addition to developing original computer programs, a wide variety of commercial educational programs can be explored by teachers and students alike using the new technology. Geography programs like "Where in the World?" and "Where in the U.S.A.?" involve the user in a game in which he or she plays the part of a detective chasing a crook around the world or around the United States



using a set of clues. Clues may include what type of money the crook has been using, what language he is speaking, what kind of music he is listening to, or what type of food he is eating.

Some programs, called encyclopedia programs, provide information on specific topics, such as United States presidents or mammals of the animal kingdom. Students wanting to learn about a president can read a report about his life and career, hear his most famous speech, delivered in the president's own voice whenever possible, read a timeline of his administration, learn the most important events occurring during his presidency and specific information about each event.

"Mammals" is similar to "Presidents," providing a report about each animal, photographs of the animal, its young, and their habitat, and vital statistics of the animal. Students can watch a short video of the animal in action and hear the sounds it makes. By the way, giraffes grunt surprisingly like bears, but they don't roar.

"The big plus of these tools is that students can navigate through learning," said Gillan. "The software can explain itself to kids. You don't have to teach them how to use it."

As a "teaching, demonstration and presentation tool," said Gillan, the versatile multimedia center enables teachers to use it as a classroom teaching tool in a variety of ways. For example, as a "mobile presentation station," the computer can be mounted on a mobile cart and be transported to classrooms on a check-out basis, much the way library books are checked-out, for use by a teacher.

Because a computer generated image can be projected onto a big screen, teachers can store information on a laser disk, bring it to class, insert it into the computer drive, and project it onto the screen for students to see. In this way, the mobile station can be used as an overhead projector.

"It's easier than carrying around a stack of transparencies said Gillan. "It's on laser disk and you can just pop it in. We hope one day we'll have a multimedia station in each classroom. All the teacher will have to do is bring a disk to class."

Because programs can be designed and manipulated by a teacher, factors such as color,

sound, and size of the image can be changed easily. For example, if a teacher wanted to use the multimedia center as an electronic slide projector, he or she could manipulate the image to suit specific needs or to best capture the attention of young students.

In addition to the multimedia center, the lab houses a baseband network with about 200 programs that can be accessed by teacher education students. These are divided into two categories, Teacher Tools (used by teachers to generate instruction materials) and Educational software (tutorials, simulations, and games for kids to use).

The lab contains 19 computer workstations for student use and is connected with PSInet. PSInet is an educational network based in Atlanta which allows the NSU teacher education program to exchange information with other schools and educational organizations.

For the purpose of developing software like "Where in Louisiana?" for a multimedia presentation center, the lab has a multimedia development station. A personal publishing station provides the Teacher Education Center with the necessary tools to write newsletters, the Louisiana Middle School Journal, and do other professional desktop publishing using a program called "Pagemaker."

Other exciting educational computer equipment used by Northwestern includes an Audio Graphic Station. This piece of equipment allows long distance teaching from one school to another. For example, an NSU lab school can phone-in a course to another school that may not offer the course.

"The audio graphics teacher has a microphone and can talk to the students at the other school," said Gillan. "The teacher can type on the screen and students can see it on their screens at their school. They also have a pad where they can draw on the computer," he said.

Gillan is excited about the growing learning capability NSU's Educational Technology Center is creating for teachers and students. Teachers and parents alike will be glad to know that kids' fascination with computers and computer games can be used to teach them in unprecedented ways. The new technology offered by the Center allows teachers to create learning programs "so much more powerful than the ones before," said Gillan. ...

From the Archives

On the campus of Northwest State University of Louisiana there exists the Cammie G. Henry Research Center. Although valued and rendered beneficial by most patrons because of its rich regional manuscript collection and Louisiana book collection, it also maintains Northwestern's university archives. The past records of NSU are scarce measuring approximately one hundred five linear feet. With only a little more than one hundred feet of records to document its past one hundred nine year history, many events at NSU and past administrative actions including policies, procedures, changes, and accomplishments are lost. Consequently, when any patron including NSU administrators, faculty, employees, students, historians, and alumni request information from the university archives, there may not be any document available. This is very much the case with gathering information for the following article which features NSU's sixth president, William White Tison, 1929-1934.

When the records of Tison's administration were recently stacked on top of each other, they measured five linear inches. Most of the items within the five inches were saved by Tisons' daughters; Camilla, Laura Claire, and Ethel; and collected by NSU Professor of History Dr. Marietta LeBreton. Dr. LeBreton made a significant contribution to preserving NSU's past by gathering much needed information into a collection of its own and by writing Northwestern State University of Louisiana 1884-1984: A History. As a result, the reference sources utilized for the following article were gleaned from Dr. LeBreton's book and Tisons' daughters.

William White Tison was born in Dry Prong, Louisiana on August 28, 1883. He was the son of Laura Evelon Satcher Tison and William Joseph Tison, who was a farmer and timberman. William White Tison received a teaching certificate from Louisiana State Normal in 1904. Soon after graduating from the Normal School, he began teaching in elementary education.



William White Tison

William W. Tison continued furthering his academic career between 1906-1914, by attending summer schools at Tulane University and Louisiana State University. Within the same time frame, he held administrative positions as assistant principal of Bunkie High School; principal of Melville High School, White Castle High School, and Marksville High School.

In 1914, Tison was awarded his A.B. degree from Louisiana State University, taught his first college chemistry class at Normal, and married Ethel Josephine Claverie, daughter of John Marie Claverie and Henrietta Camilla Edwards Claverie. Between 1915-1916, he moved into the college teaching realm when he accepted summer teaching positions at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute and the Normal School. In 1917, his pragmatic approach to teaching and educational pursuits were firmly launched when the position as Associate Professor and head of the Department of Chemistry at the Normal School was offered to him. Associate Professor Tison accepted the position and soon realized the need to further his studies. While department head and secretary of the Normal Alumni Association, he pursued graduate work at the University of Chicago earning a M.S. in 1924. It was also during this time that William and his wife, Ethel, had three daughters; Camilla Madge, Laura Claire, and Corrine Ethel.

With his M.S. in hand and firmly grounded as professor and department head of Chemistry at Normal, he urged the administration to offer more chemistry courses and add more faculty to the

department that was headed and maintained by Tison. The administration listened to him, and added a second faculty member and three new courses were established. During his tenure as secretary of the Normal Alumni Association, the alumni fund grew from eight thousand to twelve thousand dollars. In addition to teaching at Normal, he taught summer school at Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee during 1926 and continued to excel academically in his profession through post-graduate work at Louisiana State University.

Admist the political battle between Normal President V. L. Roy and Governor Huey Long, Tison was elected as president of Louisiana State Normal College on Febraruay 27, 1929. Even though Professor Tison was seeking the presidency of Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in Ruston and was Governor Long's cousin, he was not publicly politicing for the Normal presidential position. When the calendar date of July 1, 1929 rolled over, William White Tison, at the age of forty-five, faced an enormous challenge of being the Louisiana State Normal College president during the tumultuous times of the Great Depression and the reign of Louisiana's Governor, Huey P. Long.

Although praised by V. L. Roy, highly respected by his academic colleagues, popular among the "Normalities," and supported by the leading citizens of Natchitoches, President Tison soon felt the political pressure of Governor Long and the financial crisis of the depression. Under Tison, Normal faculty were dismissed, employees' salaries were reduced, and no significant capital outlay funds were provided. Despite these anxious episodes and their disparaging circumstances, William Tison pressed forward towards raising the academic standards at Normal; establishing a regional museum on campus; building a men's gymnasium; and involving the entire campus in two national celebrations in 1932, the George Washington Bicentennial and the March of Dimes Campaign.

During his presidential tenure, Tison successfully established a Department of Commerce; added curricula of Physical Education for Women, and English-Library Science for primary and secondary education; adjusted and eliminated duplication in curriculums; and enriched the elementary music, art, and chemistry curricula. Moreover, President Tison

strengthened the academic degrees among the faculty; raised the accreditation standards of Normal to the level that the college was in excellent standings with the American Association, Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, the American Council on Education, and the Southern Association of Teacher Training Institutions; and greatly enhanced the School of Music by supporting the establishment of a college string orchestra, a Philharmonic Club, and hiring additional music faculty. As a result, Louisiana State Normal School ranked among the most outstanding teacher's college in the nation.

As previously mentioned, no large scale construction projects were undertaken during President Tison's tenure. However, Tison successfully acquired appropriations for the erection of a \$38,000 men's gymnasium in 1930. Beautification of the campus grounds was accomplished under Tison by planting a wide variety of native Louisiana trees and providing improved drainage work throughout the campus. Although he was not able to secure the funds to build a separate building that was to house a museum in honor of Associate Professor George Williamson, an alumni reception room, and a social hall for faculty and students; President Tison was able to establish and support an area within the Science Building. The Williamson Musuem was dedicated and began operation under the curatorship of retired George Williamson, who was Associate Professor of Biology and Physiology at Normal from 1897 through 1932. During his many years at Normal, Williamson collected numerous regional geological, archeological, and biological artifacts as well as documents and photographs detailing past events of Natchitoches and Normal. Consequently, the Williamson Musuem became the premier place for collecting, housing, and displaying artifacts of the region. At present, the Williamson Museum is among the finest Caddo Indian museums in the United States.

President Tison not only visualized the significant opportunities of a regional museum; he also perceived that Normal must incorporate nationally recognized events within the school calender in order to remain a role model for the area. As a result, he approved a ball honoring Presi-

dent Roosevelt's birthday that was sponsored by the college. All proceeds from the ball went to the March of Dimes. Tison also accepted responsibility for Normal hosting Louisiana's participation in a nationwide celebration of the George Washington Bicentennial. The celebration was to be held on March 19, 1932 with events beginning in the morning and stretching well into the evening. Because of the celebration being hosted by Normal, many Normal students were involved in several activities throughout the day. Furthermore, the date of the celebration ultimately subtracted a student vacation day from the 1932 Easter Holiday break. As a result, the students at daily assembly on Wednesday, March 16, demanded an additional Easter Holiday on March 28 and threatened to boycott the Washington Bicentennial celebration if their ultimatum was not met. A committee was immediately appointed by the students to discuss the matter with President Tison. The demands were met by the president, but not without Tison addressing the issue of the students improper procedure and requesting an apology.

Despite William White Tison's undaunted approach to his presidency, financial crisis of the 1930s and the strong political arm of Baton Rouge took its toll on Normal. On Febraruay 23, 1934, during a State Board of Education meeting, the board replaced Tison with Asa Albert Fredricks as president of Normal. A. A. Fredricks began his presidency on August 1, 1934.

In August 1934, William White Tison accepted a teaching position within Louisiana State University's School of Chemistry. Professor Tison continued to teach general and inorganic chemistry until 1953. He did request and was granted a reduced teaching load during World War II in order to conduct research. His research lead to the discovery that by extracting gossypol from cotton seed cake its acetate derivative could be used as an indicator for minute quantities of antimony ion in the presence of tin. Thus, another use for Louisiana' cotton product.

In April 1953, Professor Tison retired from LSU and was awarded Professor Emeritus of Chemistry. During the next fourteen years, he enjoyed retirement with his wife, Ethel in Baton Rouge; and visiting with his daughters Mrs. Edgar

(Camilla) Rachel, Mrs. George J. (Laura Claire) Harris, and Mrs. Verner (Ethel) Chaffin and their families. On November 30, 1967, William White Tison died. Soon after his death, an honor award, currently known as the William White Tison Scholarship, was established in his name to be granted each year to an outstanding student of chemistry at LSU. Throughout his life, he was a man of high moral principles, and was among the most respected men in the field of chemistry. Northwestern alumuni should be proud of its past president, William White Tison.

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Library Donation

A NSU graduate recently completed a book covering 200 years of family history and has donated a copy of the book to Northwestern's Watson Library.

Writer and historian Shawnee Boswell Osborne of Longville, a 1949 graduate of Northwestern, donated a copy of her book, *Boswell Osborne Heritage 1600-1991* to the NSU Library after its publication by the Intercollegiate Press of Shreveport.

Osborne, a retired art teacher who taught at South Beauregard High School, traced the roots of her family back to its European roots. The book is the result of a lifetime of research into her family history.

"I reached a point after retirement that I realized I must compile all my findings and publish a book before it's too late," she said. "Family members have been very kind and patient and helpful in sharing pictures, documents, family records and memories. I am grateful to all who helped me compile this labor of love."

The book covers the Rinkel family with related lines of Beasley, Whatley, Boswell, Speights and Osborne in Sabine, Rapides and Natchitoches Parishes.

Osborne was a student of Olive Long Cooper at Northwestern. While teaching, she helped organize the Louisiana Youth Art Council.



'27 Mercedes Champagne Gary was involved with the Newman Club, French Circle, Current Sauce and Alpha Phi Gamma. She recently was presented a plaque for serving on the board of Gary Memorial Hospital for 25 years. She lives in Breaux Bridge, LA and has two children.

'29 Frances Vivian Flanders was involved with the debate team and Sigma Alpha. She has retired as director of the Ouachita Parish Public Library and resides in Monroe, LA.

'30 Dr. Zachary T. Gallion is a retired professor of mathematics. He received his M.S. and Ph.D from LSU. He is married to the former Helen Bridges who attended NSU. They live in Columbus, MS and have three children.

'32 Laurasteen Schrader McCarroll lives in Olla, LA and has three children.

'34 Irene Page Alexander was a Purple Jacket and a member of Sigma Kappa. She has retired from teaching and is living in Monroe, LA. She has one child.

'34 Nettie Mae Thigpen Anthony is retired and resides in Ida, LA. She has three children.

'36 Geneve A. Castles retired from the Monroe City School System after 44 years of teaching. In May 1990 she received the Honorary Doctor of Law degree from Northeast Louisiana University. She resides in Monroe, LA.

'39 Juanita Russell Bonnette is a retired LTI juvenile case supervisor. She is living in Pineville and has two children.

'41 Melva Mayson Maxey was involved with Speech Club, BSU and YWCA. She is retired from the Lake Charles American Press as copy editor. She and husband Plase live in Pineville, LA and have four children.

'41 Tessie Schexnайдre Dufour was involved with Theta Sigma Upsilon, W.A.A., Newman Club, Tennis Team, Lesche Club and Kappa Delta

Pi. She received her M.S. from LSU in 1946 and has taught at NSU and LSU. She is married to O'Hern Dufour (Class of '49). They live in Alexandria, LA and have four children.

'42 Elizabeth Burford Pabody was a member of the Euthenics Club, Theta Sigma Upsilon, secretary-treasurer of the senior class and on the dormitory council. She is a retired teacher and resides in Shreveport, LA. She has four children.

'42 Winifred Hilliard Owens is a counselor at Grawood Christian School, Keithville, LA. She and her husband Cecil Owens, (Class of '46) live in Shreveport, LA and have one child, Anne Owens Shelton, 1971 NSU graduate.

'42 Cecil Caillouet Dwyer was involved with Alpha Sigma Alpha, Kappa Delta Pi, Lambda Delta Lambda and Pi Delta Epsilon. She is a retired teacher living in St. Francisville, LA and has three children.

'43 Frances Drake Redditt is employed with the Food Distribution Division of the LA Department of Agriculture as a field supervisor in the northeast area. She lives in St. Joseph, LA and has five children.

'43 Willie Edna Tarbutton was girls basketball coach at Baskin High School for 33 years. She was inducted into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame at NSU June 26, 1993.

'44 Ruth Sisk Cuny was involved with Kappa Delta Pi and BSU. She is a retired teacher. She and her husband live in Winnsboro and have two children.

'44 Lurene W. Roan is active with state, district and local Retired Teachers' Associations and does volunteer work with senior citizens. She resides in Boyce, LA.

'46 Cecil W. Owens is a retired school principal and is currently a funeral director for Roseneath's in Shreveport, LA. He is married to Winifred Hilliard (Class of '42) and they reside in Shreveport.

'47 Leon W. Hemphill is a retired Air Force pilot and retired meteorologist. He and his wife live in Columbia, SC. They have two children.

'48 R. Eldon (Frenchie) Chachere is a retired coach and teacher. He is married to the former Madelon (Tiny) Michael of Natchitoches, LA. They have four children. Two of their children, Robert E. Chachere and Danny M. Chachere, are NSU graduates.

'50 Julia Cash Smith is retired from teaching and is now a secretary for Quest Brokerage in Whitestown, IN. She is married and has six children and nine grandchildren.

'50 Ann Keyes Lee was involved with the Student Council, Sigma Sigma Sigma, Euthenics Club, and Kappa Delta Pi. She and her husband live in Manakin-Sabot, VA. They have three children.

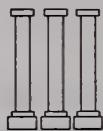
'50 Grady F. Howell and his wife reside in Littleton, CO. They have four children. He is broker/owner of Howell & Associates Realtors.

'51 Ralph Gremillion Ph.D is a professor of teacher education at Nicholls State University. He and wife Ann Bolen (Class of '52) live in Thibodaux, LA. They have four children.

'51 Max W. Pugh was involved with Phi Mu Alpha, BSU, band, orchestra and choir. He is chair of the Music Department at Union University, Jackson, TN.

'52 Robert R. Voorhees is married to Peggy Ann Trichel (Class of '53). They live in Mobile, AL and have two children. Robert is a senior market representative for Mobile Gas Service Corp.

'52 Ann Bolen Gremillion was involved with Pi Kappa Sigma. She is retired from LA Office of Juvenile Services. She and husband Ralph Gremillion (Class of '51) live in Thibodaux and have four children.



Denise Lewis Patrick



Imagine getting paid for engaging in your favorite passtime. Imagine being able to relive some of the happiest moments of your childhood as a career. Sound ideal? Well, according to Denise Lewis Patrick, it is. Patrick writes children's books and educational material for teachers and students in preschool and grade school levels.

In her most recent children's book, *Red Dancing Shoes*, published this spring, Patrick recalls the magic of a grandmother's gift and the simple joys and troubles that are part of a child's world. Names and places in the story are familiar to natives of Patrick's hometown of Natchitoches. And the setting conjures up images of the rich sun-dappled warmth and welcome of any small southern town.

Patrick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Stanley Lewis of Natchitoches. In 1975 she graduated from Natchitoches Central High School, and in 1977 graduated with honors from Northwestern with a degree in news editorial journalism.

She is married to Austin Patrick, president of the Patrick Advertising Agency and is the mother of two young sons, Matthew, 3 and Dillon, 1. She resides with her husband and children in Harlem.

Patrick always enjoyed writing. "I started by writing poetry when I was about eight," she said. "I had always written poems or stories."

In junior high, Patrick began writing more short stories, and in high school took every opportunity to do creative writing. She chose to major in news editorial journalism at Northwestern. "I thought possibly of writing for a magazine," she said.

At Northwestern Patrick was involved in a sorority and devoted most of her time to studies. "I was very active in my sorority, Delta Sigma Theta. I always took a full course load, went to summer school, and worked in the summer. After all that, I didn't have much time for anything else," she said.

She remains in touch with friends from college, among them, Tanya Allen Balthazar, a Natchitoches native and NSU graduate who now lives in Houston. Vincent Williams, an NSU graduate from Natchitoches is an actor in New York where he visits Patrick occasionally. Patrick also maintains contact with long-time friend Jackie Brown of Natchitoches.

Patrick recalled some of her favorite professors at NSU. "Dr. [Donald] Hatley, who was one of my more dynamic teachers. My Spanish teachers, the Broderman's, who were the Spanish department then. And I always had a special feeling for the art department. They kept trying to make me change my major, but I wouldn't do it. I took a lot of art classes as electives."

After an internship through the American Society of Magazine Editors following graduation from NSU, Patrick worked at the New York Times, Scholastic Publishers, and Joshua Morris Publishing Company. Writing for children had never entered her mind.

"I didn't like newspaper, and I didn't like magazines as much as I thought I would," Patrick said. "I never thought of writing for children, but now I don't think I'd ever want to do anything else."

Patrick also does some educational writing for children and teachers and for the Children's Television Network. "It may seem like writing for children is easier, but if anything I think it's more difficult." She also writes poetry, but "not for publication."

Patrick's childhood and southern heritage play an important role in her writing. "Huge role," she said, "all my writing is from my southern experience, my childhood experience. That southern sensibility is part of me."

With kids today growing up in broken homes and crime-ridden neighborhoods where they face drugs and violence, Patrick hopes her writing will send a different kind of message.

"Back when I grew up, everyone in your neighborhood had a collective caring. White kids and black kids. I think that for many children today, that type of upbringing is so foreign to them. The bigger thing I would like to present is that this still exists in some places, and I think children should know this," she said.

While her childhood and southern background are important to Patrick, she doesn't miss living in the South. The importance of her childhood runs more than surface deep.

"I could never miss it, because it's so much a part of what I am. Because I live in New York doesn't change that. Everything is colored by where I grew up, the parents I had. It's more important to me that my children understand how I grew up and where I came from," she said.

Patrick visits family and friends in Natchitoches frequently and admits to reminiscing occasionally about the verdant land of her childhood and its unique culture.

"Sometimes I miss physically being there and driving all the way from Shreveport to Natchitoches and seeing nothing, just the open fields. Sometimes in New York, I'll catch a whiff of something in the air like in the French Quarter."

As a mother, Patrick enjoys being able to watch more closely how children develop and absorb things. Being a mother has given her new insight, but it hasn't changed the foundations of her writing.

"It won't change what I write about," she said. "One of the things I love about writing for children, and why I want to make a career of it, is that children are seriously affected by what they read. Reading is important to children. What you write and how you write are important."

Reading was an essential part of Patrick's early life. "What I read as a child and how it was written has helped make me who I am," said Patrick.

This spring, Patrick became involved with the "Read to Me" program in New York City sponsored by Teachers and Writers Collaborative.

"The program teaches young mothers how to read to their children and how to read to babies," said Patrick. "We go into several experimental New York schools and teach these skills. Many of the young mothers have no parenting skills and were never read to as children. Most of them couldn't remember a nursery rhyme in its entirety."

What is Patrick's favorite thing about her work? "Getting to think like a child. Getting an excuse to do more reading. I do research for some books. It's a lot of fun to get paid to sit in the library and do research."

Patrick is presently involved in projects which require a lot of research time. "Right now I'm working on a book for third graders about Thurgood Marshall and the desegregation of U.S. schools for Grosset & Dunlap and a book about black cowboys. It's a challenge to explore something that complex for kids so young."

Patrick's latest children's books, *Goodnight Baby* (Golden Books) and *Red Dancing Shoes* (Tambourine Press) were released this spring. The *Car Washing Street* (Tambourine Press), will be available in book stores this fall. ...



'53 June Gissler May is a retired registered nurse. She and her husband live in Albuquerque, NM. They have three children.

'53 Patsy LeRoy Longlois is a supervisor for the Natchitoches Parish School Board. She and her husband live in Natchitoches, LA. They have two children.

'53 John B. Eichler was involved with band and the Newman Club. He is an interviewer for LA Department of Labor. He and his wife live in Shreveport, LA and they have three children.

'53 CPT(R) Hardy N. Rose completed 31 years of Naval service. He is currently an instructor for the Naval Junior ROTC at McDowell High School, Marion, NC. He and wife Katharine live in Marion. They have three children.

'56 Ann Fitzpatrick Graham recently retired as supervisor of nursing for Caddo Parish School System. She lives in Bossier City, LA and has three children and five grandchildren.

'56 William (Bill) H. Plumb, Jr. retired from AT&T as production supervisor and is currently owner of Bill Plumb Creative Photography in Shreveport, LA. He is married to J. Loyce Todd (Class of '56). They have three children, one is now attending NSU.

'57 Willard T. Booty retired as principal of DeQuincy Elementary School with 30 years in the teaching profession. He and his wife live in DeQuincy, LA. They have two children.

'58 Carl O. Speed was president of his senior class. He is owner of the Carl Speed Insurance Agency in Hammond, LA. He is married and has three children.

'58 Robert M. Johnson was involved with the Debate Team, Swimming Team and Gymnastics Team. He is owner and manager of B. J. Enterprises in Shreveport, LA. He is married and has one child.

'60 Linda Chaney Murphrey is the executive director of the Arkan-

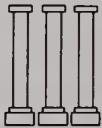
sas State Board of Nursing. She and her husband live in Little Rock, AR.

'60 Joe D. Cornett was involved with gymnastics. He is a professor and chair of Educational Psychology at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX. He is married to Elayne Sutherlin (Class of '60) and they have two children.

'60 Hugh P. Belvin is a classroom teacher and social studies chairman at Alexandria Junior High in Alexandria, LA. He and wife Nelda have two children. Their daughter Kari Belvin graduated from NSU in May '93.

'60 Gaye Lavelle Clark is a secretary/accounting with the 7th Judicial District Court in Vidalia, LA. She also serves as manager of the Vidalia Chamber of Commerce. Two members of her family are attending NSU, Chris Clark and Teresa Clark.

'60 Norbert "Toddy" Vincent was involved with H&PE Club and Black Knights Drill Team ROTC. He is completing his 35th year in the



Doyle Z. Williams

Northwestern was the right place at the right time for Doyle Z. Williams and that combination has helped him become one of the country's leading business educators.

Williams, a 1960 graduate of Northwestern, holds the Sam Walton Leadership Chair and the position of Dean of the College of Business Administration at the University of Arkansas and is chairman of the Accounting Education Change Commission. He was previously the KMPG Peat Marwick Professor of Accounting at the University of Southern California.

Williams became interested in teaching at a university while studying at Northwestern. After earning his degree, he worked in the accounting field to gain practical experience. Later, he earned a master's degree and doctorate at Louisiana State University.

He has taught at Texas Tech and the University of Hawaii in addition to spending two years with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in New York. Williams later moved to the University of Southern California where he developed the University's School of Accounting and was its founding dean. He was also interim dean of Southern California's School of Business Administration.

In 1989, he became chairman of the Accounting Education Change Commission. The commission was formed by the country's six largest accounting firms to bring about changes in the college-level accounting curriculum.

Williams received a degree in accounting, earning his degree in just three years by taking full course loads and attending summer school.

"I was pretty busy the whole time I was there," said Williams. "The first year I was there I worked in the fieldhouse as a student worker from 6 a.m. until 8 a.m. when I went to class and came back later in the day. Later on I worked in the business department and worked part-time at the accounting firm of C.E. Collins & Son under Mr. Reese Collins."

When he first came to Northwestern, Williams wasn't sure about a field of study.

"My roommate Fred Lipsey was an account-

ing major and we discussed majors and he encouraged me to consider majoring in accounting," said Williams. "I took some classes and wound up majoring in it."

Williams said that several of his instructors were a big influence on him including Dr. Kenneth Durr, Dr. Johnny Johnson, Dr. Allen Steele and business department chairman Noble Morrison. Steele encouraged Williams to teach accounting and advised him to gain practical experience with an accounting firm before attending graduate school.

He took part in activities at the Baptist Student Union and Westside Baptist Church. Williams also spent time with classmates Dr. Bill Muse, the president of Auburn University and Dr. Robert Turner, vice president of business affairs at McNeese State, both of whom he keeps in touch with.

Coming to Northwestern was a big change for Williams who grew up near Natchitoches in the Ajax community. His high school graduating class had seven students, but the instructors at Northwestern helped him make the transition.

"It was a big change coming from a small school to a college with around 3,000 students but the professors were interested in the students and got to know them and wanted to help them learn," said Williams. "I cherish the opportunity I had to grow and develop at Northwestern."

He said that Northwestern has played a major role in his success.

"The preparation I received at Northwestern was very instrumental in any success I have had," said Williams. "I learned the value of working with others. The school gave me a chance to work and develop a sense of camaraderie that was outstanding."

Williams keeps in touch with friends and relatives in the Natchitoches area. He returns to Natchitoches frequently to visit his mother and two brothers.

"It's amazing how Natchitoches and Northwestern have grown," he said. "I read of the University's accomplishments and its rewarding to see Northwestern do well." ...

insurance inspection business and is currently located in Baton Rouge, LA. He is married and has two children.

'60 Wanda Lawrence Gunn was involved with the Demonettes. She is the director of curriculum with the Caddo Parish School Board. She and husband Reggie live in Shreveport.

'60 Billy R. Allen was involved with the Chemistry Club. He is senior technologist with Texaco Research and Development. He and his wife live in Port Arthur, TX. They have four children.

'61 James D. Harris retired from Nerco Oil & Gas with 30 years service. He and his wife live in Goldonna, LA and they have four children.

'61 Brenda Holmes May completed her dietetic internship at VA Medical Center, Houston, TX in 1962. She is a consultant dietitian/nutritionist and lives in Memphis, TN with husband Charles. They have three children.

'62 Mary Alice McGill Payne retired from the State of Louisiana as a mental health nurse and is presently a mental health quality management consultant. She and husband Donald live in Jackson, LA. and have three children and two grandchildren.

'62 Jerry B. Willis is the owner of Jerry B. Willis & Associates. He and his wife live in Baton Rouge, LA and have two children.

'62 Bonnie Garbarino Granger was an elementary school teacher for 31 years and she and her husband have a rice and crawfish farm in Elton, LA. They have one child.

'63 Pauline "Polly" Ford Martin was involved with Delta Zeta, Demonettes, Homecoming Court, State Fair Court and Track Court. She is a counselor for JTPA in Franklinton, LA. She is married and has three daughters.

'63 Dr. Patsy Sanson Jenkins received the Ed.D. in 1990 and is employed as the director of Elementary Education in Alexandria, LA.

She and her husband live in Deville, LA and have two children.

'63 Linda Ann Dingman Thom was involved with Sigma Sigma Sigma and president of the Dance Team. She is principal of Bossier Elementary School in Benton, LA. She and husband James N. Thom (Law Enforcement '77) live in Bossier City, LA and have three children.

'63 Shirley Busscher Spratt taught nursing at NSU Shreveport for four years. She currently resides in Murray, KY and has three children.

'63 John A. Bolin was involved in BSU, Tri-Beta and was president of Blue Key. He is a medical doctor affiliated with the Southwest Regional Breast & General Surgery Center in Lafayette, LA. He is married and has two children.

'64 John Milton Nix taught in Bossier Parish schools for 26 years. He and wife Sandra now have their own business, The Lazer's Edge in Bossier City, LA. The company remanufactures toner cartridges for laser printers and copiers. They have three children. Two sons are in the business.

'64 Lucy Joiner Hearron is a math teacher at Youree Drive Middle School in Shreveport, LA. Her husband, Edward W. Hearron (Class of '64) is director of middle and high schools for Caddo Parish. They have three children.

'65 James "Bill" Phillips is pastor of Kennewick Baptist Church in Kennewick, WA and working on his Doctor of Ministry degree. He is married and has two children.

'66 Larry M. Clinton is a group account executive with the Washington National Insurance Co. He and wife Sandy Litton (Class of '66) live in Ruston, LA. They have two children.

'66 William E. Wight was involved in intramural sports. He is employed as a casualty claim manager with CIGNA Property & Casualty Co. He and his wife live in Largo, FL and have three children.

'67 Meade H. Phelps was involved with Blue Key and the Tennis Team. He is an emergency department physician at East Jefferson General Hospital in Metairie, LA. He is married and has two daughters.

'67 Ardis Dwight Lewis is a supervisor with the State of Louisiana Office of Family Support in Mansfield, LA. He is married and has two children.

'67 Sara Chandler Shelburne is a field nurse with General Health Homecare. She and her husband live in Baton Rouge, LA and have one child.

'67 Michael Lee Moncrief is assistant principal of administration at Booker T. Washington High School. His wife Judy Terry (Class of '68) is principal at Caddo Middle Magnet. They live in Shreveport, LA and have two children.

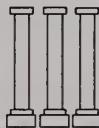
'67 Gail Smith Fraley was involved with Alpha Beta Alpha and BSU. She is currently vice president of sales for Kaset International. She and her husband live in Lutz, IL and have one child.

'67 Carroll Long played football and was president of his Freshman Class. He is an agent for State Farm Insurance. He and his wife live in White Oak, TX. They have two children.

'67 Joyce Strong Franklin was involved with Kappa Delta Pi. She is an educational specialist with IBM (EduQuest) in Jackson, MS. She and husband Johnny live in Clinton, MS. They have one child.

'68 Nick Pollacia is currently enrolled in the masters program at NSU. He is owner of KJAE/KLLA radio in Leesville, LA. He and wife Lissa Parsons (Class of '78) live in Natchitoches, LA and have one child.

'68 Gloria McNeil Wall is a teacher for Rapides Parish School Board. She and her husband live in Mansura, LA. They have two children.



Robert Brown

Dr. Robert Brown is quick to admit the impact Northwestern has had on his life. Brown, a 1967 graduate of Northwestern, hopes to use the lessons he learned and experiences at Northwestern to help students at Arkansas Tech University where he took over as president on July 1.

"Northwestern represented to me a major turning point in my life," he said. "Northwestern changed everything for me. While I was there, I made a conscious career decision to help others."

Brown has been an educator since earning his degree in economics and business. He was an instructor of economics at Northwestern for two years before moving on to earn his Ph.D. at Louisiana State University.

He taught at Wingate College in Wingate, N.C., McMurry College and Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, Texas before moving to Missouri Southern State College in 1987 as dean of the School of Business Administration. He was named the college's vice president of academic affairs in 1990, a position he held until July.

"Becoming a college president was a professional goal I established some years ago," said Brown about his new job. "I wanted to go to an institution that was well-established and had an excellent academic reputation. Arkansas Tech has a supportive board and faculty and is financially stable with a beautiful setting."

Brown grew up in Coushatta. His high school principal, Clint Jackson, played a big role in his college choice.

"I chose Northwestern because of his guidance," said Brown. "He was a Northwestern graduate and if it wouldn't have been for him, I would have made a different career choice. He intervened on my behalf in an active way that is much less frequent now."

Brown said he was helped greatly by faculty and staff members Dr. Tandy McElwee, David Townsend, Robert Easley and Noble Morrison.

McElwee ran Northwestern's testing center and helped Brown earn an academic scholarship.

"My scholarship paid \$600 a year and that paid tuition, books, room and board for a year. Without that scholarship, college wouldn't have been possible for me," said Brown.

Townsend taught economics and helped Brown chose his major.

Brown fondly remembers spending time with friends in South Hall, evenings at the Chief Drive-In, cruising the streets of Natchitoches on "impromptu social gatherings," and going to various camps on Black Lake.

"We'd get together a lot informally," he said. "Northwestern was small enough that you got to know practically everybody and we'd all do a lot of things together."

Athletic events like the annual State Fair Game in Shreveport, homecoming and spring baseball games were also memorable events.

Extracurricular organizations such as Phi Kappa Phi and Blue Key were important to Brown.

"Blue Key under Dean Leonard Nichols helped enormously," he said. "It was an organization that gave me an opportunity to develop leadership skills. Phi Kappa Phi had an elevated status on campus and helped me develop intellectually."

He also stays in contact with friends including Hugh and Paula Hardy and Tommy Glenn Jones.

"I go through the alumni directory from time to time and recall so many enjoyable times I had with some great people," he said.

Brown said that the world has changed greatly since his days in college and he hopes he can continue to prepare students for a changing world.

"The world is more complicated and hopefully we can help provide the good foundation that will help students succeed," he said. "Hopefully, we can also be a source of continuing development for people who find themselves between careers or need a refresher course on some things."

He hopes his work can serve as a payback to those who helped him over the years.

"I've been driven to try to do the same thing for others that was done for me years ago," said Brown. "If I can do that, I'll feel very good about what I've done." ...

'68 Walter C. Pilcher received his Ed.D. from the University of Northern Colorado in '85. He is a psychologist in Arlington, TX. He and wife Gaynell have two children.

'68 Teddy W. Baxter and wife Lyn live in Fairbanks, Alaska. He is a jobcoordinator(distributive education) with Hutchinson Career Center in Fairbanks.

'69 Carl G. Morrow, is an agent for State Farm Insurance in Bossier City, LA. He is married to Brenda Rice (Class of '68) and they have three children.

'69 Donna Reeves Cox is the proprietor of The Basket Case, a designer gift and gourmet basket service in Jennings, LA. She is married and has two children.

'69 "Zee" Zilla Lyles Wilson teaches fourth grade at Laurel Bay School #2 (Department of Navy/Marines) in Beaufort, SC. Daughters Cindy Wilson and Cathy Wilson attend NSU.

'70 William (Bill) Baldwin is a branch manager with GMAC in Baton Rouge, LA. He is married to Jan Lynn Dobson (Class of '70). They have two children.

'70 Robert Carlton Cullins was involved with the Industrial Arts Club and Student Personnel Association. He is director of admissions and records at WESTARK Community College in Ft. Smith, AR. He is married and has two children.

'70 Bob E. Going is owner of American National-Bob Going Insurance in Shreveport, LA. He and his wife live in Bossier City, LA and they have two children.

'71 Sherry Strickland Stewart was involved with Delta Zeta sorority. She and her husband live in Corsicana, TX. They have two children.

'71 Robert L. Throgmorton was involved with Blue Key and ROTC and commissioned a 2LT. He spent 5

1/2 years in the USA leaving as a CPT. He is employed with the Colorado Springs Fire Department. He is married and has two children.

'71 S. Lynette Wailes McBride teaches high school English and history. She and husband Robert live in Hillsboro, TX. They have three children.

'71 Constance Grigg Floyd and husband Carroll, who also attended NSU, live in Shreveport, LA. They have three children.

'71 Malcolm E. Maddox has recently been named president of the First National Bank in West Monroe, LA.

'72 Michael K. Ramsey is an associate professor of medical technology at Northeast Louisiana University in Monroe, LA. He and his wife live in Ruston, LA and they have one child.

'72 Charles E. Kelley is the owner of Grace Music Center & Master's Sound & Lighting in Pineville, LA. He is married and lives in Deville, LA. They have one child.

'72 Paul F. Robertson is a services technician for Bell South Telecommunications in Alexandria, LA. He and his wife live in Pineville, LA and they have two children.

'72 Deborah L. Wester-Lewis was involved with Mademoiselle Dance Line. She is an agent for State Farm Insurance. She is married and lives in Lexington, KY.

'73 Cecil E. Mims is a special education teacher at Southwood High in Shreveport, LA. He is married to Pam Villemarette (Class of '73) who teaches home economics at Booker T. Washington High School. They have two children.

'74 William Keith Johnson is athletic director/head football coach/PE instructor at DeRidder Junior High School. He and wife Tanya have one child

'74 Angie Jones Hrapmann recently co-produced and starred in "The Flexation" fitness video. She is a self-employed fitness trainer/national body building competitor in Metairie, LA. She lives in Marrero and has two children.

'74 John (Marty) Gendron was involved with ROTC and Black Knights Drill Team. He is a USA LTC(R) and is presently teaching high school at-risk students in Indianapolis, IN. He has three children.

'75 James Tolbert, Jr was involved with ROTC and IET Club. He received his M.S. from the University of Detroit and is currently living in Carmel, IN. He is married and has five children.

'75 Brenda McCullough Wagnon is an ICU staff nurse at Rapides Regional Medical Center in Alexandria, LA. She is married to John Robert Wagnon (Class of '76). They live in Pineville and have two children.

'75 Ronald W. Andrews is a counselor with the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Clinic at Ft. Polk, LA. He is married to Janice DeBellevue (Class of '76). They live in Leesville, LA and have two children.

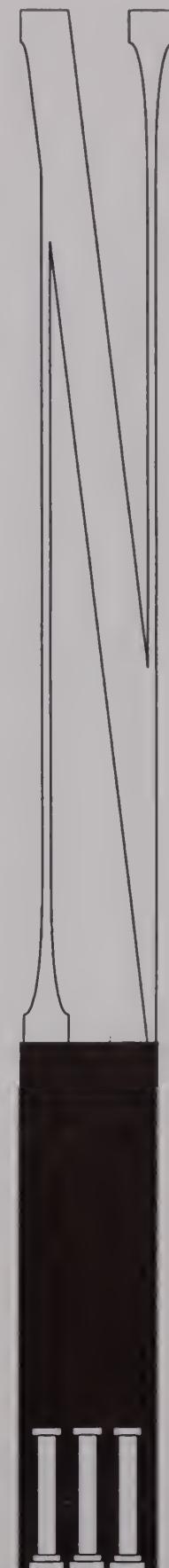
'75 James W. Stewart was involved with ROTC. He lives in Leesville, LA.

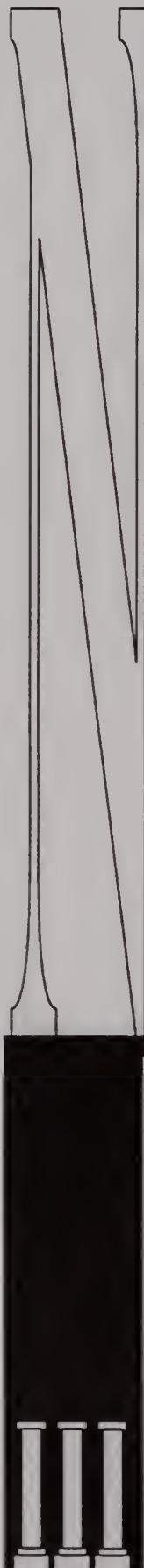
'75 Marshall T. Chevalier was involved with Pi Kappa Phi. He is an electronic control technician with Radcure Chemicals in N. Augusta, GA. He has three children.

'76 Jeannette Perkins Hicks was involved with Sigma Kappa. She is a fifth grade Spanish teacher at Pine Wood Elementary in DeRidder, LA. She is married and has two children.

'76 Steven L. Hayes is a drilling superintendent for Placid Oil company in Midland, TX. He is married and has four children.

'76 Deborah Gray Fletcher is a neonatal nurse practitioner at HCA Medical Center of Plano. She and her husband live in Plano, TX.





'77 Bonnie Outlaw Lytton is married to Major Lytton (attended NSU) and they have one child. He is president and video director of Centre Production Group Inc. in Coppell, TX.

'77 Sylvester Martinez was involved with Iota Lambda Sigma. He is a rig mechanic with ENSCO Drilling. He and his wife live in Broussard, LA. They have one child.

'77 Denise Hall Green is a nurse at Schumpert Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She and husband James live in Stonewall and have one child.

'77 Mark (Kevin) Dreher was involved with intramural sports and Alpha Mu Gamma. He is an administrator of municipal affairs for Gulf States Utilities/River Bend Nuclear Station in St. Francisville, LA. He is married and has two children.

'77 Russell Lee Gilmore is the office manager/district engineer for Goulds, Pumps Inc. of Walnut Creek, CA. He and his wife live in Pittsburg, CA. They have two children.

'78 Lissa Parsons Pollacia is an assistant professor of computer science at NSU. She is married to Nick Pollacia (Class of '68). They live in Natchitoches and have one child.

'78 Ruth Dennis Farmer was involved with band, SUGB, PRSSA and yearbook and newspaper contributing editor. She is a weekday preschool director for Summer Grove Baptist Church in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has three children.

'78 Jerry N. Hale was involved with Sigma Tau Gamma and interfraternity council president. He is employed with Home Insurance of Charlotte, NC. He and his wife live in Gastonia, NC and they have two children.

'79 James T. Braxton is general manager for Wade Inc./John Deere Farm Equipment in Indianola, MS. He is married to Pamela Hines (Class of '80). They have two children.

'79 Harvey R. Johnson is assistant football coach and strength and conditioning coordinator at Chalmette High School in Chalmette, LA. He is

married and has three children.

'79 Julian L. Scott was involved with band, orchestra and twirling. She is an ICU nurse at Nashoba Hospital and lives in Townsend, MA.

'79 Ann Marie Maricle is a teacher at M.J. Kaufman School in Lake Charles, LA.

'79 Melissa Baldridge Hayes was involved with Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Delta Kappa. She is a teacher for the Midland Independent School District in Midland, TX. She is married and has four children.

'79 Rebecca Butts Burris is an assistant professor of nursing at Arkansas Tech University in Russellville, AR. She is married and has three children.

'79 Grace Wilson Brasher was involved with Home Economics Club, Alpha Lambda Delta, Phi Kappa Phi and Kappa Omicron Phi. She and husband Mel (attended NSU) live in Luling, TX. They have one child.

'79 Willie Mae Sowell Aldredge is a language arts specialist for the Long Beach Unified School District in Long Beach, CA. She is married and has one child.

'79 Eddie Mae Williams Washington is a teacher at South Alexandria Sixth Grade Center. She and husband Clifton live in Alexandria, LA.

'79 Nanette Hawthorne was involved with Demon Softball, Sigma Kappa and SUGB. She is a systems analyst for State Farm Insurance Companies in Bloomington, IL.

'79 Michael Wayne Hawkins is outreach coordinator with the Space Science Group at NSU. He and wife Jackie live in Natchitoches and have two children.

'80 Cecil E. Burns was involved with Phi Kappa Phi. He is a designer for Boyd Design Group in Englewood, CO. He has two children.

'80 Pamela Hines Braxton is a sales rep for American Cyanamid

Chemical Co. in Indianola, MS. She is married to James Braxton (Class of '79) and they have two children.

'80 Randall W. Youngblood played varsity baseball at NSU. He is varsity football coach/head golf coach for Carthage Independent School District and lives in Carthage, TX.

'81 Renée Fowler Sowell is a neonatal ICU nurse at Schumpert Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has two children.

'81 Martha Banks Johnson is a speech pathologist with Martha Banks & Associates Inc. in Baton Rouge, LA. She is married and has one child.

'82 Michael Ettner is a medical doctor in Quincy, CA. He and his wife Jean have one child.

'82 Madeline Dranguet Weber is a system analyst with Neiman Marcus in Irving, TX. She and her husband live in Arlington, TX. They have two children.

'82 Kevin J. Bartholomew was involved with SGB, Blue Key and Kappa Sigma. He is general manager of Ben E. Keith Beers in Abeline, TX. He is married to Cindy Ernst (Class of '85) and they have one child.

'82 Joycelyn Gondolfo Jeansonne is a pediatric nursing instructor at LSUA in Alexandria, LA.

'82 Dennis W. Price is a bakery sales supervisor for Brookshire Grocery in Tyler, TX. He is married and has two children.

'82 Karen Page Hale is a kindergarten teacher for Hardin Independent School District in Hardin, TX. She is married and has two children.

'83 Linda Savell Calhoun is employed with Campti-Pleasant Hill Telephone Co. as commercial manager. She is married to Buddie Calhoun and they have one son.

'84 Pamela McComic Warmack was involved with the NSU Marching Band and Rifle Corp. She is administrator/director of Lincoln Home

Health in Ruston, LA. She is married and has two boys.

'84 Parker L. Thompson was involved with Blue Key. He is a dentist in Pensacola, FL. He is married and has one child.

'85 Edward Orgenon is a football coach at the University of Miami in Coral Gables, FL.

'85 Gary W. Crawford received the M.A. in Christian Education from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He is married and has one child. They live in Chalmette, LA.

'86 Sandra Kay Maricle teaches at East Beauregard High School in DeRidder, LA. She lives in Sugartown, LA.

'86 Carolyn Elaine O'Neal was involved with Pentecostal Student Fellowship International and Phi Beta Lambda. She is a word processor operator with the Department of Social Services in Shreveport, LA.

'86 Patricia Brezenski Ciurej is a post anesthesia nurse at Hunt Memorial Hospital in Greenville, TX. She and her husband live in Emory, TX.

'86 Robert A. Clemons is a research manager for Guaranteed Student Aid in San Antonio, TX. He is married and has two children.

'87 Douglas W. Plummer was involved with BSU, SAM and Phi Beta Lambda. He is accounting manager for Byrd Regional Hospital in Leesville, LA. He is married to Loretta E. Forque (Class of '87). They have one child.

'87 Delores A. Maricle is a special education teacher at West Leesville Elementary School in Leesville, LA.

'88 Dan C. Batchelor is a missionary with the Baptist Mission of Ecuador in South America. He is married and has one child.

'88 Krystyna E. Lubelski is a teacher/computer advisor at Ft. Benning, GA. She is married and has two children.

'88 Kathy Burns DeSoto was involved with Purple Jackets and Sigma Kappa. She is employed with Software & Services in Shreveport, LA as a systems analyst. She and husband Glenn have one child and live in Bossier City, LA.

'88 Janet McClaugherty Perry was involved with NSU Marching Band and Flag Line. She is a flight attendant for Delta Airlines. She is married to CPT Kenneth E. Perry.

'88 Debbie Cable Brown was involved with Theatre, Delta Zeta and cheerleading. She is a kindergarten teacher at North Polk Elementary. She is married and lives in New Llano, LA.

'89 David Troy DeCuir was involved with SGA. He is manager of Anthony's in Thibodaux, LA.

'89 Stephen M. Steinke is staff accountant of Gary A. Steinke & Associates, CPA's in Many, LA.

'89 Tracy Ann Fisher was involved with Sigma Sigma Sigma, SAB and band. She is in the graduate program in speech pathology at NOVA University. She lives in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

'89 Marshall L Sandoz was involved with Sigma Tau Gamma and a student police officer. He is patrolman first class for the Natchitoches Police Department. He is married to Caroline Tomka who attended NSU.

'90 Angela Chance Griffis is a third grade teacher at West Leesville Elementary. She and her husband live in Anacoco, LA. They have two children.

'90 Donna Kay Rush was involved with Public Relations Student Society, Society of Professional Journalists and Spanish Club. She is assistant director of purchasing for Communicorp in Atlanta, GA.

'90 Mona Hiestand Bombassi is a corporate paralegal with White, Wilson & Copeland, P.C. in Dallas, TX. She is married to Tony Bombassi (Class of '90).

'90 Tony A. Bombassi is a disability analyst for Cigna Corporation in Dallas, TX and a graduate student at the University of Texas. He is married to Mona Hiestand (Class of '90).

'90 Amy E. Sukman is currently enrolled in LSU School of Veterinary Medicine in Baton Rouge, LA.

'90 Jeffrey C. Mathews was involved with NSU Marching Band and Symphony Orchestra. He is currently assistant band director at Garland High School in Garland, TX.

'91 Kenneth H. Johnson is employed at Willamette Industry in Campit, LA as a multi-craft mechanic. He is married and has one child. They live in Saline, LA.

'91 Michael R. Townsend was involved with band, choir and Blue Key. He is a social services counselor with Lafourche Parish Office of Family Support in Thibodaux, LA. He is married and has one child.

'91 Laurie Isgate Kennedy is a registered nurse and employed with Summit Institute of Pulmonary Rehabilitation in Bossier City, LA.

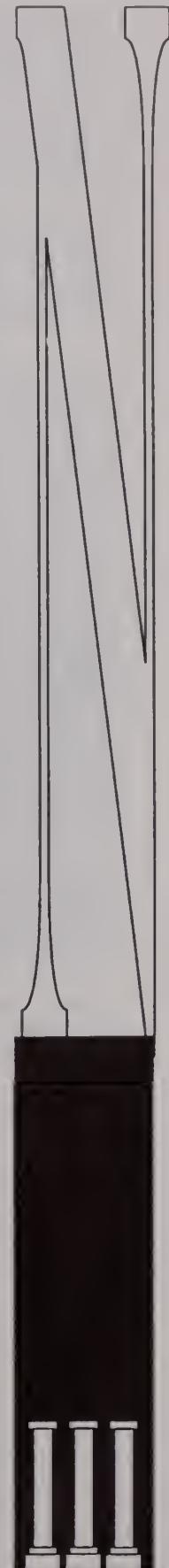
'91 Leta Townsend Garner was involved with SUGB and BSU. She is office manager for the Natchitoches Mental Health Clinic.

'91 Phillip A. McClung is a teacher of civics/free enterprise at the Natchitoches 9th Grade Center. He is married to Melinda Martin (Class of '79).

'91 Julie L. Brokmeyer is a staff nurse at the Annotto Bay Hospital, Annotto Bay, St. Mary, Jamaica West Indies. She has one child.

'91 Tracy Mount Cockerham is a secretary for Wilson Oil Co. She is married and lives in Jonesville, LA.

'91 Gerald H. Houston was involved with Phi Kappa Phi. He is an electronic repair inspector with the LA Army National Guard at Fort Polk, LA. He is married and has one son and lives in DeRidder, LA.



'91 Wade E. McClure played baseball. He is a field rep with GTECH in Irving, TX. He lives in The Colony, TX.

'91 Belinda L. Withers is a math teacher at Anacoco High School. She lives in Florien, LA.

'91 Cyndi Trout LaFleur is director of nursing at Infusion Management Systems in Lufkin/Nacogdoches, TX. She is married and lives in Lufkin.

'91 J. Trevor Smith is head of computer department/network administrator at Erickson, Krentel, Canton & LaPorte CPA's. He is married to Kay Isemann (Class of 91) and they live in Gretna, LA.

'92 Amanda Salter Marr is a second grade teacher at Florien Elementary. She is married and lives in Many, LA.

'92 Rickey Woodward was involved with the Anthropology Club. He is currently a graduate student at Memphis State University. He is married and has one child.

'92 Megan E. Smith was involved with Phi Kappa Phi. She is a donor recruiter for the Louisiana Blood Center in Shreveport, LA.

'92 Marcia Y. Hinkston was involved with Phi Beta Lambda. She is employed with Century Telephone as a computer operator and lives in Alexandria, LA.

'92 Paula Brooks Bell is a registered nurse at Schumpert Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She is married and has two children.

'92 David W. Clark is a law student at LSU in Baton Rouge, LA.

'92 Vonda K. Rutherford was involved with Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Kappa Phi. She is a third grade teacher at Pickering Elementary in Leesville, LA.

'92 Kenda Jones Brittain is a first grade teacher in Florien, LA. She is married and has one child.

'92 Melanie C. Taylor was involved with Beta Gamma Psi and Phi Kappa Phi. She lives in Robeline, LA.

'92 Dearna L. Beach was involved with Kappa Delta Pi. She is an English teacher at Natchitoches Central High School.

'92 Michelle L. Barr is a science/technical writer at Ciba-Geigy in St. Gabriel, LA.

'92 Charles W. Turner is stationed at Shaw Air Force Base in Sumter, SC.

'92 Charlotte Black Cook is a nurse at Willis-Knighton Medical Center in Shreveport, LA. She and husband Jim have three children.

'92 H. Scott Jolley is administrative assistant for marketing and publications for Amazingstage Theatre Company in Charleston, NC.

'92 Monica L. Billiot was involved with Sigma Kappa and Purple Jackets. She lives in Morgan City, LA.

Deceased

Mrs. Adraste Johnson died December 6, 1991.

Kathryn J. Andrews died November 8, 1992. She was a resident of Shreveport, LA.

Bryan K. Campbell died November 28, 1992. He was a resident of Monterey, LA.

Francis Gilbert "Bitus" Bryan died July 6, 1992. Age 73 years. He was a resident of Santa Fe, NM.

Melvin W. Dright died April 21, 1993. He was a resident of Mansfield, LA.

Rowena Corinne Nick Lacoste Pennock died June 4, 1993. Age 99 years. She was a resident of New Orleans.



Editor's note: The following was written and submitted to the Alumni Columns by William W. (Willie) Westbrook (class of '35). Mr. Westbrook thought that the readership would appreciate knowing of the recent death of his friend and former Normal class mate, Anthony G. "Tony" Porter (Class of '35).

A well-known landmark in New Orleans and Louisiana high school athletic circles is the Tony Porter Athletic Field, so named to honor and perpetuate the distinctive coaching achievements of a Northwestern alum.

After graduating in biology, Tony coached high school football at DeRidder and Port Sulpher for several years, and at New Orleans Academy for eight years (1942-1950). He then became head coach at St. Martin's Episcopal School and was associated with St. Martin's athletic and scholastic fortunes in turning out star athletes and civic leaders of state and local New Orleans area fame.

Tony retired from coaching at St. Martin's in 1982 when he became athletic director emeritus — "a very special honor for a very special member of the St. Martin's family" — as expressed in dedication ceremonies (by faculty, parents and friends) of "The Tony Porter Athletic Field" which perpetuates his name in Louisiana high school athletic history.

Among the many awards "Tony" received over the years were the NORD "Meet of Champions", selection by the Louisiana High School Association as an "Outstanding Coach", and the "Distinguished American" presentation by the National Football Foundation.



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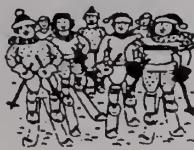
Reunion!

I would like members of the first Shreveport Division of Nursing class of 1950, to contact me. Would like to plan a reunion in 1994 in Shreveport.

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HEARTBEAT OF OLD NORMAL -
Featured is the percussion section of the Louisiana State Normal College Band of 1938-39 which kept the crowds cheering at football games and parades. All but one member of this percussion section can be identified. From left: Ben Shuler on tympani, unidentified on marching bell lyre, Band Director Gilbert Saetre, Jack Fisher on snare drum, and Victor Mulina on bass drum. If you have information regarding the unidentified member, please contact the Alumni Affairs Office at (318) 357-4414.



Join alumni and friends for a skiing trip to Breckenridge, Colorado. Your mini-vacation will include 5 nights lodging in fully equipped condo's and 4 days of resort skiing. The cost for airfare, lodging and skiing is under \$600.00 per person.

Travel plans are to leave Shreveport on Tuesday morning, January 4, and return on Sunday, January 9.

Your mini-vacation trip coordinator is Dr. Gene Newman, Director of Leisure Activities at NSU. Reservations must be made by calling 318-357-5269. Reservations deadline is September 20, a deposit of \$100.00 is due by October 1, with the remainder by November 1.



50 YEAR REUNION - Activities honoring the graduating class of 1943 took place Friday, May 7, the day of Spring 1993 commencement exercises. A reception was held at the Alumni Center from 4:30 until 6:30 in honor of the 50-year graduates, and the class marched at the Coliseum to receive their second diplomas. The graduates will be honored again this Fall with special activities during Homecoming.

The following graduates of 1943 attended reunion activities: Carolyn Powell Bell, Adelaide Smith Carlin, Lillian Bell Cohen, Mrs. Verdie G. Couvillion, Clarence P. Crump, Vera Jones Davis, Dorothy Bell Donaldson, Corinne Mondello Dowden, Martra Murphy Eades, Julianne David Eddy, Geraldine Taylor Gamer, Elliott Ginsburg, Elizabeth Wardlow Gunn, LaVerne Pearce Hatcher, Virginia Palmer Hudnall, Will Harvey Laing, Patricia Sibley Looney, Gertrude H. McCuller, William Edwin McDermott, Patrick C. Nation, Helen Henson O'Brien, Frances McBride Drake Redditt, Ruth Hochenedel Robichaux, Agnes Smith Russell, Theophile N. Scott, Dorothy C. Smith, Gerard F. Thomas, Jr., Mary Jean Swift Thomas, Alton Lloyd Townsend, and J.E. Tullos.



Business Graduates Calling All Cards

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NSU Division of Business
Natchitoches, LA 71497



HAPPY 101st - Northwestern State University would like to extend "Happy Birthday" wishes to Miss Bessie Ramsey who celebrated her 101st birthday March 23. Miss Ramsey began school at Louisiana State Normal College in 1915 and earned her two-year teaching certificate in 1916. She taught home economics.

Today, Miss Ramsey stays young and busy crocheting afghans and baby blankets in spite of being blind in one eye. She has crocheted over 70 of the afghans which family members say are beautiful and special keepsakes. Miss Ramsey visits people who come to the retirement home in Mansfield where she lives and never misses a church service.



HAPPY 100th-Northwestern State University would like to extend "Happy Birthday" wishes to Mrs. Louise Marston Brown who will be 100 years old October 28. Born in Flat Bayou, Mrs. Brown began school at Louisiana State Normal College in 1910. In 1912, she received her two-year teaching certificate. Shortly after graduating, she married Edward Brown whom she had met at Normal. The couple soon had three daughters and a son. In 1928, Mrs. Brown returned to Normal for her A.B. degree in history and received the honor, upon graduating, of being selected as high honor student for the class. For 27 years she served as a teacher, a profession she dearly loved, in several Louisiana schools. Mrs. Brown's recipe for long life: "Plenty of yard work and plenty of church work."



LONG LOST COMRADES - Members of the Northwestern Barnhill-Ayers V.F.W. post #7610 were reunited this spring at the Northwestern Alumni Center. After records proving the group's existence were lost, Dr. Gordon Bennett of Lake Charles, a former Barnhill-Ayers member, set out to prove that the group indeed existed. With the help of an old yearbook picture of the group and microfilm copies of the group's charter found at V.F.W. headquarters, Bennett was finally successful. The post, which was organized on November 7, 1946, was named in honor of two former Northwestern State College students, Wilbur Barnhill and Edward Ayers, who were killed in action during World War II. According to Bennett, the Barnhill-Ayers chapter was the only college or university V.F.W. post on a college campus with all student members.

Former members and their wives who attended the reunion are pictured seated left to right (front row): Mr. John Foster of Campti, Mrs. John Foster, Mr. Jim Reichel of Natchitoches, Mr. Bo Brown of Natchitoches, Mrs. John Davis, and Mr. John Davis of Centerville, Miss. Pictured standing (back row) are: Mr. Lonnie Beal of Natchitoches, Mrs. Lonnie Beal, Mrs. Fred Bricker, Mr. Fred Bricker of Leesville, Dr. Gordon Bennett of Lake Charles, and Mr. David Shaw of Montgomery.

Homecoming Events Scheduled

Northwestern will honor its 109 years of "Excellence in Education" during its annual Homecoming celebration Oct. 8-9. A variety of events are planned to give NSU alumni and friends a chance to return to the campus and meet old friends and make new ones.

Homecoming Weekend activities begin Friday, Oct. 8 at 1 p.m. with the annual Alumni Golf Tournament at the Robert Wilson, Sr. Recreation Complex. The Alumni and Foundation Board Meeting will be at 3 p.m. in the President's Room of the Friedman Student Union.

The day's activities will conclude at 6:30 p.m. with the annual Jambalaya dinner at the Recreation Complex. Entertainment will also be provided at the dinner which will honor the Class of 1943. This special class will be honored at all homecoming events.

Saturday is filled with activities beginning at 10 a.m. The popular Ladies Bingo Brunch will begin at 10 a.m. at the Recreation Complex with a number of prizes available courtesy of Natchitoches-area businesses.

Also at 10 a.m., the "N Club" Hall of Fame will hold its induction in the Purple and White Room of the Athletic Fieldhouse. Also at 10 a.m. a reception for all alumni will be held in the lobby of the Friedman Student Union with the Class of 1943 as honored guests.

At noon, the Alumni luncheon will be held in the Student Union ballroom. The

annual general meeting of the NSU Alumni Association will be held during the luncheon. The latest inductees into the NSU Hall of Distinction, the Long Purple Line, will be honored along with the recipients of the NSU Alumni Association's Outstanding Teacher Award.

The NSU Demons will take on Southland Conference and in-state rival Nicholls State at 2 p.m. in Turpin Stadium. The 1993 homecoming court will be honored, and The Spirit of Northwestern Marching Band will perform at halftime.

Immediately following the game, the NSU Band Alumni will meet for a business meeting and social at Just Friends on Front Street in downtown Natchitoches.



Homecoming Registration Form

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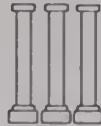
Alumni Golf Tournament tee off at 1 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 8. _____ Handicap _____ No. of guest (s) to attend jambalya dinner (@ \$5.00 ea.). Entry fee of \$25.00 includes one jambalya dinner ticket.

Jambalya Dinner (Friday, Oct 8) No. of tickets _____ @ \$5.00 ea..

Ladies Bingo Brunch (Saturday, Oct 9, at 10 a.m.). No. of tickets _____ @ \$10.00 ea..

Alumni Luncheon (Saturday, October 9 at 12 p.m.) _____ tickets @ \$ 10.00 ea.

Honoring the class of '43 with a special 50 year reunion.



Reunions for all classes will take place in the lobby of the student union between 10 and 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 9.

Athletics



Jim Hoops

There has to be a mistake.

That's the initial reaction any follower of Northwestern basketball would have after checking the Demon record book to see where Jim Hoops ranks among the top scorers in school history.

He doesn't.

The numbers say Hoops scored 938 points in 106 games from 1977-81. That computes to a solid, but not sensational, 8.8 average per game.

Why, then, does Hoops remain as one of the most remarkable figures in the nine decades of Demon basketball?

It has to do with the way he played the game. Hoops, a 6-foot-5 forward from Deshler, Ohio, attacked every play with all-out effort, the rare sort that demanded respect from teammates and opponents and commanded the attention of previously casual observers. Of the 106 games he played for the Demons, Hoops started 98.

In his first three years, Hoops started each of Northwestern's 78 games. His coach in those seasons, Tynes Hildebrand, knows why Hoops has a niche among the great figures in Demon history.

"I've been at Northwestern about 28 years," says Hildebrand, "and I don't

know if I've ever met a young man with a better attitude than Jim Hoops.

"I'd say he is a natural leader. He was a leader on the campus, among the student body. He was a leader on our basketball team. He was a leader off campus, in the community. Everybody he met liked him and responded to him very well."

Some things never change.

Today, to the surprise of absolutely no one who knew him, Jim Hoops is in a leadership role back home in Ohio. At the age of 26, he was believed to be the youngest county auditor in Ohio. At 32, he was the youngest person to become president of the state County Auditors Association, which is 115 years old. Today, at 34, he is a member of the association's executive committee and

co-chairman of the organization's legislative committee.

Combine those job titles with his previous experience as chairman of the Ohio Young Republicans, and it's easy to sneak a peak at Hoops' game plan for a run at a seat in the state legislature.

"I have those desires," he admits. "It depends on what happens to the individuals who are already there. There's a retirement that should be coming up in three or four years and that position may be something I pursue."

For someone who has moved into a leadership position so quickly, Hoops retains the right priorities. That's why he's not rushing toward a seat in the Ohio House in Columbus.

"Right now, I have all the work I need with my family," he says. "My 10-year-old keeps me busy. When you become a legislator, you're not your own anymore. You become the property of your district. I would eventually like to take on that challenge, but now isn't the time."

At Northwestern, along with his basketball career, Hoops was a campus leader. He was a Student Government Association senator, an active member of Blue Key National Honor Fraternity and was voted "Mr. NSU" by the student body before earning his business administration degree.

"I've always had a desire to enter politics and public life. Even in the days when I was on the SGA at Northwestern, I felt good about working out problems although our resources weren't always the greatest. There's a great deal of satisfaction and pride in resolving people's problems. Athletics was an enjoyable way to learn that ability. We had to work as a team to succeed, and it takes teamwork and coordination to solve problems in my business today," he says.

Hoops was appointed by the Henry County Republican Central Committee in 1985 to fill an unexpired term as county auditor. Since then, while winning elections for the post in 1986 and 1990, he has overseen six fulltime and three parttime staff members.

As auditor, Hoops is the comptroller for the county, the overseer of finances and the chief tax assessor. In his job, he relies on skills learned at Northwestern, in the classroom and on the basketball court.



Jim Hoops pictured as he appeared in 106 Demon basketball games.

"You learn to administer and you work as a team. My employees know their jobs better than I do. I basically let them do their jobs and help them solve problems," he says.

Although his roots are firmly in Ohio, Hoops enjoys reflecting on his time at Northwestern and in Natchitoches.

"I really felt at home there. For a guy from so far away, the university and the community really opened its arms. The churches used to feed us and the people reached out to us," he says. "If I hear or read about southern hospitality, I think of Natchitoches and Northwestern."

"I want to bring my wife (Deb) and daughter (Erica) down for the Christmas lights. I've told them that you can't say you've been there until you've seen the lights. We're going to make it back down there before too long. We watched Steel Magnolias and it really lit a fire in me to get my family down there."

It's not a simple weekend jaunt he's considering. It's a 2,700 mile round trip — one that he is glad he made after graduating from Patrick Henry High School as a first-team Ohio All-State

player. The inevitable feelings of homesickness, which he battled through with his teammate and roommate Mike Brey, were necessary hurdles to clear on his path to public service.

"Being in a different environment, and me being a 'people person,' made it easier to develop some of the skills that help me today," says Hoops. "I gained confidence knowing if I could be away from my home and make so many friends, I was able to grow in any situation."

Natchitoches was an easy fit for Hoops.

"I really respected the people in the community for their stance on lifestyles and politics. It was, and I suppose it still is, more of a conservative community than many college towns. I liked that because the basic values I'd been raised with were what the people of Natchitoches lived by," he says.

That was especially important when Hoops faced tragedy in 1979. His younger brother Mike, a freshman on the basketball team, died of a congenital heart defect during a practice session.

"The people at the university were really close when we lost my brother. He's part of me that we can never get back, but I will always treasure his memory, and the way so many people helped us through that time. Coach Hildebrand came to Ohio with me, and that still boggles my mind — for a major college head coach to step away from his job, in season, to travel so far to be there for me."

The pain of that experience does not overshadow the many positive aspects of his time at Northwestern, says Hoops.

"Respect is something I really learned at Northwestern. I believe as athletes, and Coach Hildebrand always preached this, we represented the school and the community. Anything we did, good or bad, reflected on a lot of people."

"That's still true in my life today. I'm the auditor of Henry County, and any place I go, I'm representing the county. If I'm out of state, I'm representing the state of Ohio, and I have to act responsibly. Coach always talked about earning respect, and he said the first step is that you must respect yourself, and those around you. That's a foundation of my life."

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